

**ABSTRACT****A Portable Data Storage Device**

A portable data storage device (10) includes a universal serial bus (USB)  
5 coupling device (1) and an interface device (2) is coupled to the USB coupling  
device (1). The portable data storage device (10) also includes a memory  
control device (3) and a non-volatile solid-state memory device (4). The  
memory control device (3) is coupled between the interface device (2) and the  
memory device (4) to control the flow of data from the memory device (4) to the  
10 USB coupling device (1).